

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Shirou SAWA

Serial No. NEW : **Attn: APPLICATION BRANCH**

Filed July 23, 2003 : Attorney Docket No. 2003_1023

METHOD FOR STABILIZING ARYLCARBOXYLIC
ACID, STABILIZER THEREOF AND AQUEOUS
SOLUTION CONTAINING STABILIZED
ARYLCARBOXYLIC ACID

**(Rule 1.53(b) Continuation of Serial No. 09/885,096,
Filed June 21, 2001)**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows: